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SUBJECT: UNITA CAPTURES CABAN "MERCENARIES" IN ANGOLA

1. IN LUSAKA PRESS CONFERENCE NOV 13, UNITA EXTERNAL AFFAIRS SECRETARY JORGE SANGUMBA CLAIMED THAT JOINT UNITA/FNLA FORCES HAD RECENTLY CAPTURED SIX CUBAN "MERCENARIES" EMPLOYED BY MPLA.

2. IN CONVERSATION WITH EMBOFF NOV 15 NEWSWEEK'S ANDREW JAFFE, JUST RETURNED FROM ONE WEEK VISIT TO UNITA-HELD AREAS OF ANGOLA, INCLUDING LOBITO, SAID HE AND OTHER FOREIGN NEWSMEN HAD OPPORTUNITY BRIEFLY QUESTION 17-YEAR-OLD WHITE CUBAN NAMED SAMUEL (OR MANUEL) RODRIQUEZ, ALLEGEDLY CAPTURED BY UNITA FORCES DURING FIGHT FOR LOBITO. JAFFE COMMENTED THAT RODRIQUEZ APPEARED BE RELATIVELY INEXPERIENCED RIFLEMAN IN CONTRAST TO OLDER AND MORE VETERAN

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CUBANS WHOM JAFFE HAD SEEN IN UNIFORM IN STREETS OF LUANDA WEEK

BEFORE. JAFFE HEARD THAT AT LEAST ONE OTHER CUBAN PRISONER WAS
IN UNITA HANDS BUT HE NOT SHOWN TO JOURNALISTS.
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